GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:604
ANSWERED ON:05.05.2003
DAMAGE TO MANGO TREES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the unusual cold spell this year has caused enormous damage to mango trees in Punjab, Uttar Pradesh and some other parts of North India;

(b) if so, the details of mango fields of different varieties affected this year as compared to the last three years; and

(c) the Central assistance sought and provided to mango growers to cope up with the loss?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.604 DUE FOR REPLY ON 5TH MAY, 2003.

(a): There has been some loss in production of mango in certain areas like Hoshiarpur, Punjab due to the unusual cold spell this year. However, no such losses of mango trees has been reported from other parts of North India, especially in Uttar Pradesh.

(b): The level of loss and area under different varieties of mango affected in Hoshiarpur districts is as under:-

Level of Loss(%)	Area Affected (Ha.)		
	Desi	Grafted	Total
80	95	380	475
60	16	90	106
40	4	60	64

(c): No Central assistance has been sought by any State Government to help the mango growers to cope up with the loss.